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# *Home for Aged Couples*

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opp. Franklin Park, Boston, Mass.*

*Seventeenth Annual Report.*

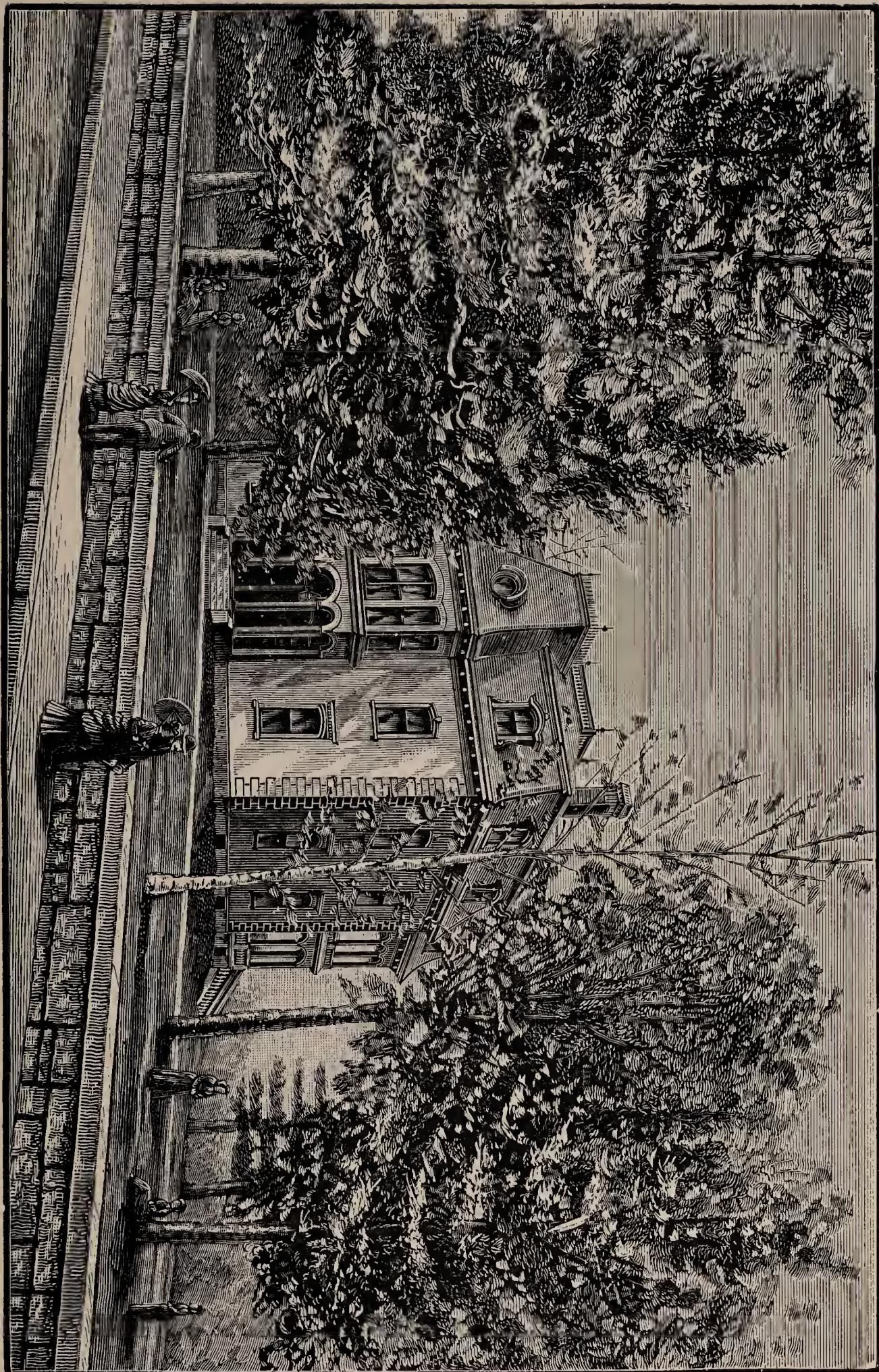


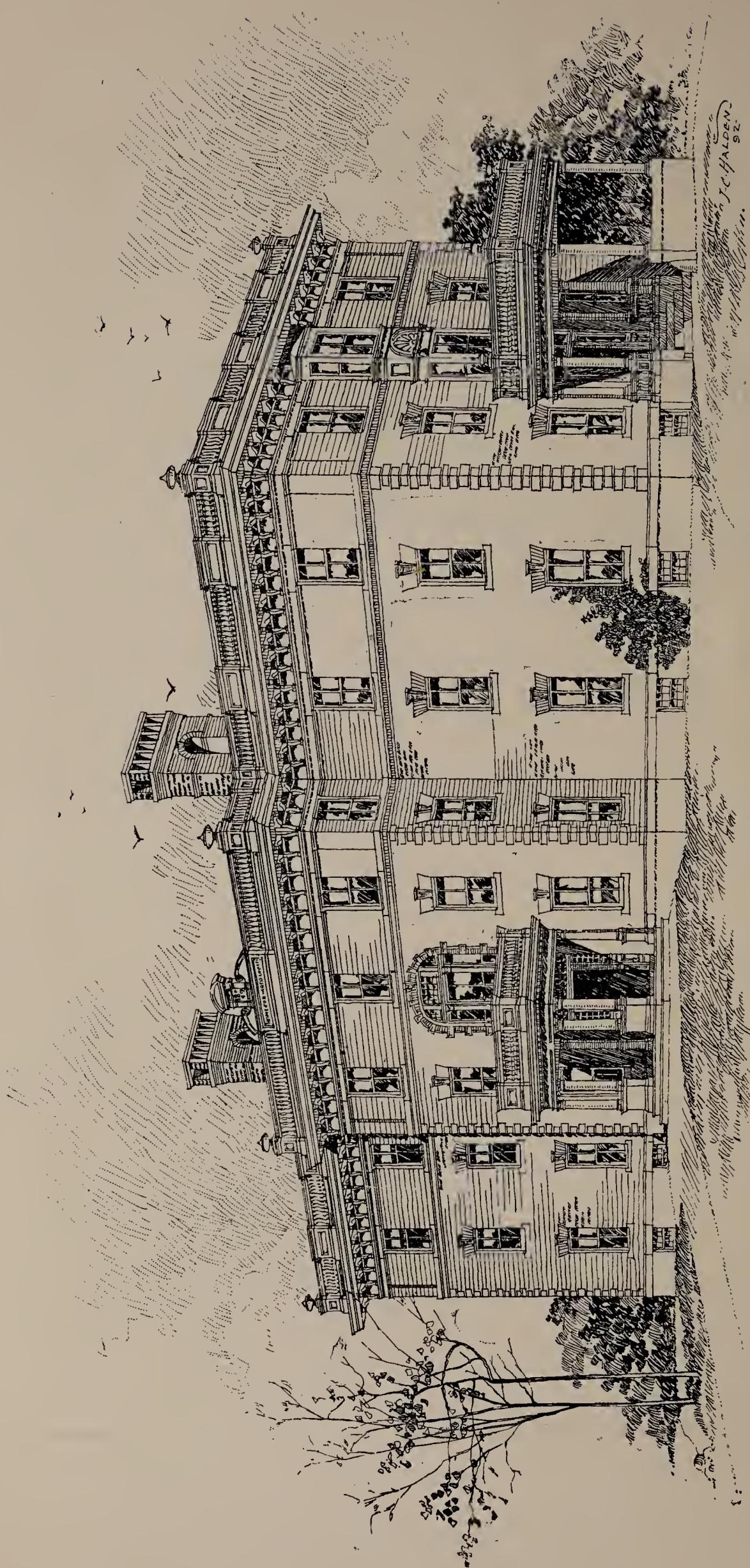
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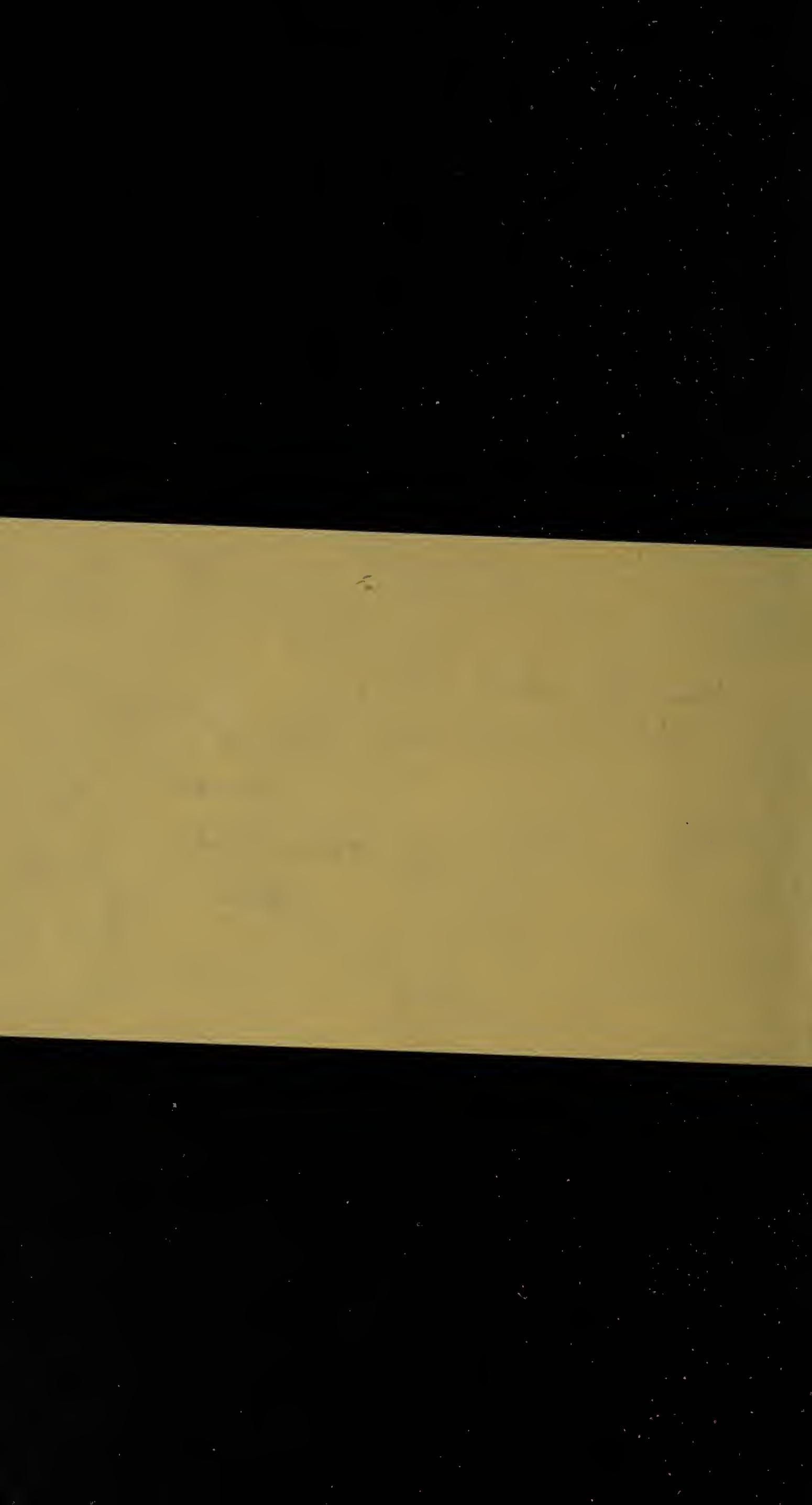
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Boston, Mass.



JANUARY, 1901.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
HOME FOR AGED COUPLES,

WALNUT AVENUE (Roxbury District),  
OPPOSITE FRANKLIN PARK,  
BOSTON, MASS.

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*Association organized January, 1883;  
Incorporated May 29, 1884.*

**Home opened at 431 Shawmut Avenue June 12, 1884. Removed to  
Walnut Avenue May 1, 1887.**

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ACT OF INCORPORATION.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX.

AN ACT

TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE NEW ENGLAND AID SOCIETY FOR  
THE AGED AND FRIENDLESS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:—*

SECTION 1. The NEW ENGLAND AID SOCIETY FOR THE AGED AND FRIENDLESS, a Corporation established under the general laws of the Commonwealth, shall hereafter be known as the HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 15, 1886.

Passed to be enacted.

J. Q. A. BRACKETT, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, March 17, 1886.

Passed to be enacted.

A. E. PILLSBURY, *President.*

March 18, 1886.—Approved.

GEORGE D. ROBINSON.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 12, 1886.

A true copy.

Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

HENRY J. COOLIDGE,

*Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

[SEAL.]

# OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION.

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## TRUSTEES.

### PRESIDENT.

ELIZABETH ABBOTT CARLETON, M.D.

30 UNION PARK, BOSTON.

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MRS. ROBERT FERGUSON . . . . .	330 Commonwealth Avenue
MRS. JOHN FOSTER . . . . .	503 Washington Street, Dorchester
MRS. JOHN C. HAYNES . . . . .	438 Columbus Avenue
MRS. CHARLES P. JAYNES . . . . .	333 Commonwealth Avenue
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MRS. W. H. L. SMITH . . . . .	40 Mill Street, Dorchester
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EDWARD N. LIBBY, M.D.

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MRS. M. F. DICKINSON, JR.

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MRS. E. B. BADGER.

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MRS. HIRAM EMERY. MRS. W. H. L. SMITH.  
MRS. ROBERT FERGUSON.

*COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES.*

(Divine service Sunday afternoons, 3.30 o'clock.)

MRS. E. A. CARLETON . . . . .	January and February
MRS. W. B. TILTON . . . . .	March
MRS. E. B. BADGER }	April
MRS. GUY LAMKIN }	
MRS. W. H. L. SMITH . . . . .	May
MRS. H. C. WHITCOMB . . . . .	June
MRS. M. F. DICKINSON, JR. }	October
MRS. SAMUEL N. BROWN }	
MRS. JOHN FOSTER }	November
MRS. B. F. STURTEVANT }	
MRS. HIRAM EMERY }	December
MRS. EDWIN RICE }	

*LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.*

MRS. JOHN FOSTER.	MRS. W. B. TILTON.
MRS. JOHN SHEPARD.	MRS. EDWIN RICE.
MRS. CHARLES P. JAYNES.	MRS. H. C. WHITCOMB.

## *MATRONS.*

MISS H. C. WINGATE, New Building. MISS N. A. HERNE, Mansion.

## APPLICATION.

*Applications for admission to the Home may be made at any time to the President, Dr. E. A. Carleton, 30 Union Park, Boston, Mass.*

## VISITING COMMITTEE.

1901.

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Visiting hours every day (except Sunday) from 2 to 5 P.M.

MRS. J. H. ROBBINS . . . . .	30 Waverly Street, Roxbury
MRS. DEXTER T. MILLS . . . . .	56 Commonwealth Avenue
MRS. N. W. RICE . . . . .	341 Commonwealth Avenue
MRS. HENRY B. JANES . . . . .	333 Commonwealth Avenue
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MRS. LESTER LELAND . . . . .	358 Commonwealth Avenue
MRS. ORREN B. SANDERS . . . . .	358 Commonwealth Avenue
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MRS. J. B. BRADLEY . . . . .	495 Broadway, South Boston
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MRS. D. W. KILBURN . . . . .	98 Huntington Avenue
MRS. JONATHAN DORR . . . . .	Washington Street, Dorchester
MISS ABBIE SPEAR . . . . .	89 Walnut Park, Newton
MISS MARY F. SPEAR . . . . .	89 Walnut Park, Newton
MRS. GEORGE E. HALL . . . . .	Washington Street, Dorchester

## **CORPORATION SEAL.**

**THE CORPORATION SEAL BEARS THE NAME OF THE CORPORATION,  
THE YEAR AND DATE OF THE INCORPORATION OF THE SOCIETY, AND THE  
NAME OF THE CITY IN WHICH IT IS LOCATED.**

## THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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In closing our record for the year 1900, it is gratifying to record that the earnest and prayerful efforts which have been made in behalf of the Home since its incorporation — nearly seventeen years ago — have been productive of good results.

While we hail the twentieth century with a great hope in our hearts, it is in a high degree pleasing to see the Home for Aged Couples on the list of Boston's great charities, established and maintained by personal effort and private beneficence in the nineteenth century,—a century which takes precedence for its great achievements, its wonderful inventions, its scientific discoveries, its educational movements, its humanitarian efforts, and its far-reaching and insistent plans for uplifting and christianizing the weak and down-trodden of every race and clime. The great forces working for righteousness make opportunity ; and He who is giving unto men power and riches and honor, in large measure, is also laying the responsibility of benevolent action upon their consciences.

### THE EVENTS OF THE YEAR.

The first event of record is the annual meeting held at the Home on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 9, 1900. The President in the chair called the meeting to order at three o'clock. Mr. J. W. Smith offered prayer. The Secretary read the minutes of the previous annual meeting, after which the financial statement of the Treasurer and the annual report of the President were listened to with close attention, and accepted by the Corporation with a rising vote of thanks,

followed by hearty congratulations. The Nominating Committee, in appreciative and complimentary words, presented the names of the former Trustees, all of whom were elected by ballot.

The meeting adjourned at four o'clock.

#### BENEFICIARIES.

In the Home on Jan. 1, 1900 . . . . .	50
Admitted during the year:—	
William P. Van Kleeck.	
Martha A. D. Van Kleeck.	
George Alfred Glines.	
Susan A. Glines.	
Ralph Warren.	
Maria King Warren.	
Daniel O. Goodrich.	
Martha B. Goodrich. . . . .	8
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Died during the year:—

Sophia Masters Wingate, . . . . .	Feb. 12,— 78 yrs.
Nancy Stark Waterman, . . . . .	Feb. 22,— 80 yrs.
Sarah Ann Rood, . . . . .	Mar. 16,— 87 yrs.
Margaret Elizabeth Coleman, . . . . .	Aug. 18,— 78 yrs.
John W. Kirker, . . . . .	Aug. 26,— 76 yrs.
George C. Coolidge, . . . . .	Nov. 2,— 78 yrs.
Mary A. Page Meade, . . . . .	Nov. 2,— 84 yrs.
Harford Hurd, . . . . .	Nov. 26,— 87 yrs. . . . .
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Beneficiaries January, 1901 . . . . .	50
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#### RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

The total receipts of the year, exclusive of legacies, have amounted to \$10,419.67, and the expense of maintaining the Home to \$11,100.00.

The following legacies, with gift for the "Elisha S. and Mary D. Converse Fund," have been received during the year 1900:—

From estate of Hannah W. Loring, Charles U. Cotting, executor, . . . . .	\$10,000.00
From estate of Robert C. Billings, Thomas Mims Matthew and Joseph H. Kendall, executors, . . . . .	10,000.00
From estate of William S. Bond, Lawrence Bond, executor,	1,000.00
From estate of Caroline Wood, J. Q. A. Field, executor (final), . . . . .	32.00
From estate of Susie M. Ransom, C. D. Foster, executor (final), . . . . .	520.00
"Gift" from Hon. Elisha S. and Mary D. Converse, . . .	15,000.00

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES

have been held at the Home, as usual, under the direction of the Religious Service Committee, who have been most earnest in their endeavors to supply the aged family with preaching on Sunday afternoons. The following clergymen have kindly complied with the invitations of the committee: Rev. Ellis Mendell, Rev. A. H. Plumb, D.D., Deacon R. C. Humphreys, Rev. Henry T. Secrist, Rev. E. D. Mallory, Rev. S. S. Nickerson, Rev. C. L. D. Younkin, Rev. William E. Huntington, D.D., Rev. George H. Flint (2), Rev. J. H. Corbett, Rev. W. E. Braisted, Rev. D. W. Waldron, Rev. Mr. Bennett (2), Rev. E. B. Wilson, Deacon Bumpus, Rev. C. R. Tenney, Rev. W. S. Heywood, Rev. Dr. Grosse, Rev. W. W. Bustard, Rev. B. Alfred Dunn, Rev. George Mayo Gerrish (2), Rev. Mr. Dewing, Rev. Samuel Lane Loomis, Rev. S. K. Mitchell, Rev. Seth C. Carey. As in former years, Miss Whitten has taken charge of the music, for which service the Trustees and the family are alike grateful. The singing of young people from time to time, by the kindness of the officiating clergyman, has been greatly appreciated.

The beautiful musical service given in January by Dr. John Dixwell was greatly enjoyed by the family, many of

whom were invalids too feeble to leave their rooms. A repetition of the pleasure would win the thanks of the family.

#### MEETINGS.

The regular and special meetings of the Board have been well attended. By the kindness of Mr. Whipple two meetings were held at the Parker House in November to make arrangements for the annual fair at the Vendome the first week in December.

#### MEMBERSHIP.

Seven life members have died during the year, and the following members have been added to the roll: Mrs. Albert A. Pope, Mrs. Charles H. Collins, Mrs. H. H. Barney, Mrs. Theodore Casey, and Mr. Samuel N. Brown.

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#### *In Remembrance.*

Eight members of the family have been removed by death during the year. The first to leave us was Mrs. Sophia M. Wingate, on the evening of Feb. 12, 1900, aged seventy-eight years. Mrs. Wingate was born in Boston, and for the greater part of her life had resided on Beacon Hill. She was greatly attached to the city of her birth, and often referred with commendable pride to her former circumstances and associations. After the death of her husband, which occurred very suddenly on the morning of July 11, 1898, there was little in life to afford her pleasure. The funeral of Mrs. Wingate was held at the Home on the morning of February 15, Rev. Ellis Mendell conducting the services. Interment in her family lot, Cypress Avenue, Mount Auburn Cemetery.

On the morning of February 22, Mrs. Nancy Stark Waterman, wife of James H. Waterman, after an illness of nearly six months' duration, was released from the burden of earthly life.

Mrs. Waterman was born in Dunbarton, N.H., in the year 1820, and was a great-grand-niece of General Stark, of Revolutionary fame. She was a woman of high character and many virtues, and her mission on earth was one of peace and good will. None knew her but to love her for the sterling qualities which were her birthright. Funeral services, conducted by Rev. Ellis Mendell, were held at the Home on the morning of Saturday, February 24, after which the remains were taken to Weymouth, Mass., for interment in the family lot.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Rood, widow of the late David Rood, died after a short illness on the afternoon of Friday, March 16, in the eighty-eighth year of her age.

Mrs. Rood was born in Kingston, Ulster County, N.Y., in 1813, and was married to Mr. Rood in 1834. No children blessed the union. In 1850 they came to Boston, and for many years, by industry and economy, maintained themselves in a very comfortable and respectable manner. Then came reverses, and the aged wife silently took up the burden of providing for the family needs by executing orders for fine needlework. Through her successful efforts, she made substantial friends; and, when it was proposed that the old couple, who had lived together nearly sixty years, should pass the remainder of their lives in the pleasant Home for Aged Couples, friends were not lacking to provide the means. Mrs. Rood survived her husband seven years. Funeral services were held at the Home, March 19, at 2 P.M., Rev. Ellis Mendell officiating. Interment beside her husband in the Home lot on Elmwood Avenue, Mount Hope.

The shadow of death still lingered in the household ; but, when spring awoke with fresh promises, and the birds sang and the flowers blossomed, even the most feeble felt the rejuvenating effects of air and sunshine. Short walks and little rides were taken, and the arm-chairs under the spreading chestnut-trees found cheerful occupants. But, when the summer came,—wrinkling the earth with heat and filling the air with insect life,—the long, tedious illness which had been borne so bravely and patiently by Mrs. Margaret Coleman ended, and without a murmur the resigned and gentle spirit returned to the God who gave it.

Mrs. Coleman passed away on the morning of August 18 in the seventy-ninth year of her age. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Seth C. Carey on the afternoon of Monday, August 20, at 2 P.M. Burial in the Home lot at Mount Hope.

Hardly had the funeral bell ceased its tolling, when Mr. John H. Kirker, afflicted with a complication of troubles, was suddenly seized with acute pain and illness, for which surgical and medical treatment afforded only partial relief. After five days of suffering he fell into peaceful rest on Sunday, Aug. 26, 1900, aged seventy-six years.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirker were married in Boston, Jan. 25, 1849, and had resided, before coming to the Home, in Neponset twenty-seven years.

Mr. Kirker was a man of great courage and energy, even after sickness had impaired his vitality. An accident which necessitated the wearing of an artificial limb, and other serious troubles requiring surgical interference, were at times sadly irritating to his nervous system, especially after partial paralysis had confined him to his room for many months.

Few would have attempted to walk again under such dis-

couraging circumstances ; but, after long-determined effort, he succeeded, and before his last illness frequently walked about the grounds and into the street, unattended save by his faithful wife, who was to the last his beloved companion.

Mr. Kirker was a warm friend and a consistent Christian of the Methodist denomination. At his funeral, held at the Home on Wednesday, Aug. 29, 1900, Rev. Seth C. Carey pronounced the eulogy ; but there were present lifelong friends, who, reading the announcement of his death, came to pay their last respects and give their meed of praise,— Rev. Mr. Ayer, of Danvers, Mass., under whose ministrations Mr. Kirker had grown in grace for more than twenty years, and Rev. Mr. Capen, of Uxbridge, Mass., who had been his playfellow, schoolmate, and companion. Many old friends gathered around the bier, and spoke of the genial qualities which made the deceased beloved by old and young. The floral offerings, which completely covered the casket, were very beautiful. Interment in the (Kirker) family lot at Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Mr. George C. Coolidge, whose beloved wife passed away Feb. 21, 1899, died on Friday, Nov. 2, 1900. Mr. Coolidge, it will be remembered, was an old resident of East Boston, and for many years did a large express business in that part of the city. Failing health, with other depressing circumstances, caused failure in business, which eventually resulted in bringing the couple to the Home.

Mr. Coolidge was suffering from an attack of paralysis when the illness which resulted in the death of Mrs. Coolidge occurred. From the hour of her departure, Mr. Coolidge was broken-hearted, and took no interest in passing events. He was pleased to see old friends ; but their presence only served to recall his one great sorrow, which no

earthly comfort could relieve. Funeral services were held at the Home by Rev. Mr. Heywood on Nov. 5, 1900, after which the remains were taken to Leominster, Mass., and interred by the side of his beloved wife in the Leominster Cemetery.

Three hours after the death of Mr. Coolidge the long-expected summons, which removed Mrs. Mary A. P. Meade, came gently and with little warning. Mrs. Meade was born at Middleboro, Vermont, Sept. 13, 1816, and was married to George R. Meade in November, 1837. She was the mother of seven children, and the survivor of them all. Aged, childless, and heart-broken, full of pathos is the evening story of two lives whose morning gave promise of happiness and success. Since the death of Mr. Meade, Nov. 14, 1899, Mrs. Meade lived in daily expectation of the summons which came on Nov. 2, 1900.

The funeral of Mrs. Meade was held at the Home, November 5, at eleven o'clock A.M., Rev. William S. Heywood conducting the impressive services.

Many friends followed the remains of Mrs. Meade to her last-resting place, where, after life's fitful fever, she peacefully sleeps with her husband and children in the Old Dorchester Burying Ground.

The death of Mr. Harford Hurd, at the ripe old age of eighty-seven years and twenty-three days, occurred on the morning of Nov. 26, 1900, after a long period of physical and mental illness. Mr. Hurd was born in Sanford, Me., but removed to Massachusetts in his early life. He commenced his career by learning the business of brick-laying, and worked his way up to be a "brick manufacturer." For many years he prospered and enjoyed the fruits of his industry,

and then — But the story may be told in his own words: "While I did business in a small way, I made money. When I branched out and trusted people, I failed. Wife and I tried to start again ; but I was too old, and couldn't get on."

The beginning and the end we can see, but the pathos and heartaches which lie between are known only to Him whose judgments are true and righteous altogether. Through all the faithful wife gave of her strength, and bravely bore her part in the struggle.

The funeral of Mr. Hurd was held at the Home on November 28, Rev. Seth C. Carey conducting the services. Interment in the Home lot at Mount Hope.

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ANNIVERSARY DAY, JUNE 12, 1900.

The day was one of rare beauty. Cloudless skies foretold enjoyment, and the aged people early prepared to receive their friends. Everywhere there seemed an unusual display of life and energy. Even the house dog forgot himself, and ran hither and thither, barking gleefully at the cackling fowls who attempted to trespass upon the clean and velvety lawns.

At last all was in readiness for visitors. The pretty tent was raised, the tables spread, hundreds of chairs were brought from church and storage, flags and bunting were given to the breeze, and on a low, draped platform was stationed the orchestra, ready to respond to the call for music.

From the press reports, all of which were pleasing, we may interpolate a few sentences from the *Transcript* descriptive of the exercises. Successful in all ways was the sixteenth anniversary of the Home for Aged Couples, Walnut Avenue, Roxbury, which was celebrated yesterday after-

noon, and which will be long remembered as an eventful day from the fact of the Home being so richly remembered by generous benefactors, foremost among whom were Hon. and Mrs. Elisha S. Converse, of Malden, whose gift was a check for \$15,000. The grounds of the Home, with the well-kept lawns and the fine big elm-trees shading them, presented an animated scene when Dr. Elizabeth Abbott Carleton, the President of the Corporation, opened the exercises. Among the speakers were Mayor Hart, Rev. Henry T. Secrist, Rev. William Copley Winslow, D.D., Rev. Charles H. Beale, D.D., and Rev. D. W. Waldron. Other speakers who had accepted invitations were unexpectedly detained or called away.

After the invocation by Rev. George A. Glines, a member of the Home family, Dr. Carleton extended a warm welcome to those present, and spoke of the congratulations and donations received from many unable to attend the anniversary exercises. She compared the charity of the early days of this century with that of the present day, tracing interestingly the upward and onward growth of Christian benevolence from a home for children to a home for aged women, which preceded by many years a home for aged men, and the broader idea which, in 1884, found practical exemplification in the Home for Aged Couples. Dr. Carleton also referred to the opportunities in this progressive age for the amassing of wealth, and paid a just tribute to the possessors of great riches, who were founding and aiding educational, industrial, charitable, and religious institutions, and largely furnishing the means for general philanthropic purposes. She spoke feelingly of the unostentatious manner which characterized the bestowal of a gift to the Home which she had received, and begged, if in exceeding the authority which had been given her to make it known,

to plead in justification, "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." She then announced the gift of \$15,000 from Hon. Elisha S. and Mary D. Converse, of Malden, to the Home for Aged Couples.

After the applause had subsided, the President introduced successively the speakers of the afternoon.

Mayor Hart brought the congratulations of the city, and spoke of his personal regard for the Home, dating his interest back almost to its beginning, when dear friends of his, to whom he owed remembrance, had been received and taken care of to the end. He came to indorse the work by his presence, and he congratulated the President and all who were aiding and contributing largely to the upbuilding of such an excellent institution.

Rev. Henry T. Secrist, who often came with a youthful band of singers on Sunday to give spiritual consolation to the family, came now as a neighbor and friend to offer congratulations, and was more than pleased that the noble benefaction which had just been reported afforded such a grand opportunity, which he improved to the gratification of the audience.

Rev. Dr. Beale spoke of the attractions of the Home, and the many comforts and pleasures it afforded to those who were so fortunate as to be admitted to its benefits. He congratulated the old people, whose lives were free from all material anxiety, on the leisure they now had to perfect themselves in grace, and to prepare for that change which in the course of nature must soon come to those whose heads were whitening for the harvest. He trusted the gift which had made the day one of blessing to the Home would be thrice blessed to the givers, and that they would long live to continue their good work. In closing his eloquent remarks, Dr.

Beale tendered his hearty congratulations to the President and her loyal coworkers on the success achieved.

Rev. William Copley Winslow, D.D., the accomplished Egyptologist, spoke on the wonderful discoveries which had been made in the late explorations in Egypt, and in which the scientific as well as the religious world was interested. He compared the people of former ages — according to information gathered from their papyri — to the people of the present day, and thought they were not unlike in their ideas and expressions ; but so far no one had discovered that the women of ancient days had founded a home for aged couples. He was sure that was a nineteenth-century idea of late date, and he was glad to have the privilege of congratulating the President and all who were nobly sustaining her.

Rev. D. W. Waldron referred to his own work for children, and to his success in raising funds for that purpose. He thought it was natural for people to be more interested in the young than in the old, therefore greater effort had to be made for an institution which maintained those who were nearing the end of life. He was personally interested in the success of the Home, had been connected with it from the first, and was always pleased to be present and speak a good word for it. He was glad that it had received a great gift to-day, and he honored the noble benefactors for giving to such a deserving institution.

The President then thanked those who had contributed to the pleasure of the occasion, and the friends who had donated in remembrance of the day. \$500 had been received. Mrs. Samuel N. Brown, Mrs. Edwin Rice, and Mr. Joseph B. Glover had each given \$100; Mr. J. H. Rodocanachi, \$50; Mrs. Samuel Downer, \$35; Mrs. William Copley Winslow, Mrs. M. F. Dickinson, Jr., Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant, and Mr. George H. Ellis, each \$10; and fifteen others, \$5 each.

The singing of "America" closed the programme of the public exercises, after which the guests made little delay in finding seats at the flower-decorated refreshment tables, where prettily costumed young ladies awaited orders for strawberries with ices and cream and cake and coffee.

The aged family joined in all the pleasures of the day, and aided the Trustees in their efforts to make the occasion worthy of remembrance.

#### HOLIDAYS.

Many holidays are pleasantly observed throughout the year; but Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas are days of blessed memory.

The Easter morning visit of Rev. Mr. Waldron and musical friends is a pleasure anticipated. The story of the risen Lord, in speech and prayer and praise, has ever a new lesson for those who have wept at the door of the sepulchre.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY.

Thanksgiving with its pleasant memories is dear to the heart of New England. The appetite may fail on other days; but, on Thanksgiving Day, turkey, plum pudding, mince pies, and all other good things provided are partaken of with youthful relish and with no concern for unpleasant after effects. And the best of the story is, none occur at the Home for Aged Couples. The Home was generously remembered with fine plump turkeys, fruit, and vegetables by Mrs. M. F. Dickinson, Jr., Mrs. John C. Haynes, and Mrs. Oliver Ames.

#### CHRISTMAS,

the day for loving remembrance and good gifts. The Home was not forgotten. Bundles, baskets, and boxes gave evidence of generous supplies; and the Christmas dinner af-

furnished opportunity to express gratitude for abundance and variety. The health of the family permitted all to be present. After the well-served menu had received excellent attention, the President of the Home — who presides at Christmas — called attention to the gifts of the day, and distributed, much to the pleasure of the family, about two hundred boxes of "sweets," sent by Mrs. Guy Lamkin, Mrs. C. P. Jaynes, Mrs. E. B. Badger, and Miss. I. E. Nickerson.

A box was then opened, containing small, neatly addressed envelopes, tied with red and green ribbons. Each member of the family received an envelope containing a crisp two-dollar bill and a pretty card and the generous donor was Mrs. Warren B. Potter.

Rev. Mr. Glines, just recovering from a long illness, and Rev. Mr. Hall — both members of the family — spoke tenderly of those to whom God had given the privilege of doing good, and also of the appreciation and gratitude of those who were daily being cared for in such a beautiful home. The benediction of the venerable and saintly "Father" Hall closed the after-dinner exercises.

Mrs. S. P. Mandell, Miss Dutton, Mrs. John C. Haynes, Mrs. John Shepard, and Mrs. Samuel N. Brown contributed to the Christmas cheer turkeys, groceries, grapes, and oranges; Mrs. E. S. Converse, \$2 for fruit; Mr. Albert Dutton, \$1; Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, \$5; and Miss M. E. Hayden, \$25 for the Home.

#### THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL FAIR AND KETTLEDRUM AT HOTEL VENDOME.

The severity of the rain-storm, made more severe by a high wind on Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1900, will be long remembered by the friends who courageously defied wind and rain in order to be present at the kettledrum which preceded

the opening of the Eighteenth Annual Fair in aid of the Home for Aged Couples.

Much to the pleasure and surprise of the President and Trustees, all the speakers save one—detained by the funeral of a relative—succeeded, after some delay, in reaching the Vendome, where Mr. E. W. Knight, the genial manager, had little difficulty in persuading the merry guests to forget the easterly gales and the high tides, not of Lincolnshire, but of the land-locked harbor of Boston.

The morning papers spoke of the kettledrum as a great success; and, certainly, all present were of the same opinion.

From the concise and pithy report which appeared in the *Herald*, we quote a paragraph descriptive of the banquet: A couple of hundred friends of the Home for Aged Couples sat down to a kettledrum banquet last night at the Vendome, and enjoyed a feast of reason and flow of charity. The banquet was a fitting prelude to the opening of the fair this morning.

At a little past six o'clock the President, Dr. Elizabeth Abbott Carleton, escorted by Mayor Hart, entered the banquet hall, followed by the Trustees with other invited guests. The Salem Orchestra beguiled the hours with fine music until the opening of the more formal programme. Dr. Carleton opened the post-prandial exercises with a welcome to the guests, after which she introduced successively the speakers of the evening. The first speaker was Mayor Hart, who brought the greetings of the city; and in praise of the Home, which he placed foremost in the list of charities, he referred to his long acquaintance with it, and to friends who had lived and died there. In closing, he remarked, as he recalled that it was the Eighteenth Annual Fair, "I cannot imagine that any of you will ever grow old, but that you are ever to work for the good cause, which has my best wishes."

Rev. Dr. Plumb being called away, Rev. Francis H. Rowley, lately called to the First Baptist Church, Commonwealth Avenue, was presented. After congratulating the organization upon its success, he paid a high tribute to the President and founder of the Home.

"Indeed, nearly all charities," he said, "had their birth in the mind of woman, whose self-sacrifice for the poor was well known. No attic was too poor or too dirty and no battle-field terrors too great for her who was last at the cross and first at the grave." Mr. Rowley added in conclusion: "This charity appeals to me exceptionally, since it enables those who have loved and suffered together to remain with each other in their reverses and old age."

Rev. Samuel H. Babcock, of the archdeaconry of New Bedford, believed that all good people should regard the Home for Aged Couples as their special responsibility. He thought people were inclined to give lavishly to children's summer work, and sometimes to forget and disregard the claims of those who had fought the battle of life and had made our welfare possible. In many ways he emphasized his plea for the care of the aged, and urged it as a duty upon the young to give them help, and to increase their means for enjoyment. With the close of Mr. Babcock's interesting remarks the President introduced Master Gerald Lambert, who varied the pleasures of speech-making by singing a couple of songs, which displayed to advantage a finely cultivated soprano voice.

As the mayor's humorous reference to a kettledrum had provoked many witticisms, Rev. William Copley Winslow, D.D., was introduced as one versed in Egyptian lore and able to give information upon abstruse subjects. Dr. Winslow, after the rippling of laughter had subsided, said it was true he had, like the mayor, been anxious to know what a

kettledrum had to do with a banquet ; but, unlike the mayor, he had investigated the subject, and found it defined "as a function attended by fashionable people," and he was glad to be in such good company. He then referred to recent importations of papyri which were of incalculable value, and which, fortunately, had been preserved for history through the exceptionally dry climate of Egypt. Dr. Winslow admitted that his creed—next to the Episcopal creed — was humanitarianism, and no charity was more deserving than the one in question, where so much is done on such a small annual expenditure.

The fine quartet of the Commonwealth Avenue Baptist Church contributed vocal selections, which were greatly appreciated and generously applauded.

Rev. D. W. Waldron, long a member of the Board of Council, spoke of the charities in which he was particularly interested, and the large amount of money that he annually received for charitable uses. As we draw near the twentieth century, he said, we can feel that great progress has been made in caring for the worthy poor and for children. Another matter in which we have progressed is in relation to the advancement of women, as illustrated here to-night.

In all departments of missionary work, women are coming forward ; and they are making tremendous advances in good works.

In closing, the President thanked all who had contributed to the pleasures of the evening, and improved the opportunity to reply to the gracious words of the speakers, who had frequently alluded to her personal work, that she could not have brought the Home to its present development without the aid of the noble women who had stood by her so faithfully all these years, and had sustained her in every effort.

The exercises of the evening closed with good wishes for the success of the fair; and, with "good-night," many substantial remembrances were left in the hand of the President.

During the night the banquet hall turned into a veritable bazaar; and, when the ladies in charge of tables arrived in the early morning, all was in readiness to compete with the thirteen fairs already open. Certainly, the prospect was not encouraging; but the Home was beyond the unlucky number, and friends would not forget the object. The fair was open two days, and the results were gratifying. The gross receipts, including \$1,225,—donations received by the President,—amounted to \$2,405.27, the expenses to \$379.44, and the net proceeds paid to the Treasurer to \$2,025.83.

#### THE CLOSING WORD.

During the year which has just closed, no events, except from natural causes, have occurred to disturb the even tenor of the Home life. Friends have remembered us with gifts of clothing, books, magazines, flowers and fruit. Rides have been provided for invalids by the Young Men's Christian Union. Newspapers, including the *Transcript*, *Herald*, *Zion's Herald*, *Watchman*, *Congregationalist*, *Jamaica Plain News*, have come from the offices of publication. Concerts and entertainments have been given frequently by musical friends in the spacious parlors; and clergymen have kindly responded on all occasions, including Sunday afternoon services.

Legal advice has been given to the Board by Hon. B. Marvin Fernald, and the press has extended many courtesies in kindly reporting meetings and public efforts in behalf of the Home.

Much attention has been given to the health of the in-

mates by the skilful physicians of the Home, Dr. A. S. Whitmore and Dr. Edward N. Libby, more especially by Dr. Libby, whose residence at Egleston Square is within a few rods of the institution. During the year two members of the family have been treated by the kind and able surgeons at the City Hospital.

For all these blessings, aggregating so much good to the Home, and for which we are so grateful, we offer heartfelt thanks; but He who seeth in secret will give a generous reward.

The encouraging and sustaining kindness of the Trustees and Council and the helpfulness of members of the Corporation have contributed in large measure to the success which has come to the Home in the last year of the nineteenth century.

Looking forward, we pray for greater opportunity, for available means to enlarge the Home, for a generous endowment, which will enable us to pay current expenses from the annual income, and for a fund which can be used to assist worthy people not eligible for the Home by reason of age, but partially able to support themselves in the family of some friend or relative, where for small compensation they are made welcome.

In our earnest plea for remembrance, may we not ask those who have abundant means, and are moved in their hearts with sympathy for the sorrows and distress of good people who are without a home in their old age, for generous gift and bequest to the Home for Aged Couples?

ELIZABETH ABBOTT CARLETON,

*President.*

JAN. 8, 1901.

*Dr.*

## HOME FOR AGED COUPLES IN ACCOUNT

To Payments for the year 1900, as follows:—

Groceries, provisions, and ice . . . . .	\$4,294.67
Salaries and wages . . . . .	3,206.25
Coal and wood . . . . .	632.42
Gas . . . . .	248.40
Water tax and meter rates . . . . .	186.10
City tax, watering streets . . . . .	48.88
Clothing, shoes, and dry goods . . . . .	187.87
Medical supplies . . . . .	123.25
Funeral expenses . . . . .	522.15
Fares and payments to inmates . . . . .	48.75
Repairs, labor, and small payments . . . . .	551.82
Renewals and household repairs . . . . .	494.75
Printing and distributing Annual Report . . . . .	139.32
Annual meeting, expenses . . . . .	12.90
Printing, advertising, and postage . . . . .	134.25
Expressage . . . . .	83.35
	<u>\$10,915.13</u>
Taxes and water, Revere estate . . . . .	\$91.18
Repairs on Revere estate . . . . .	93.69
	<u>184.87</u>
	<u>\$11,100.00</u>
Investments and deposits . . . . .	224,843.44
	<u>\$235,943.44</u>

WITH J. W. SMITH, *Treasurer.**Cr.*

Receipts for the year 1900, as follows:—

## Legacies:—

From estate of Robert C. Billings . . . . .	\$10,000.00
From estate of Hannah W. Loring . . . . .	10,000.00
From estate of William S. Bond . . . . .	1,000.00
From estate of Mary A. P. Weld . . . . .	1,000.00
From estate of Susan M. Ransom . . . . .	520.00
From estate of Caroline Wood . . . . .	32.00
	<u>\$22,552.00</u>

## Gift:—

Elisha S. and Mary D. Converse Fund . . . . .	15,000.00
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## Income from:—

Investments . . . . .	\$4,850.00
Betsey R. Lang Fund (E. B. Badger, Trustee) . . . . .	138.54
Revere estate . . . . .	148.00
Admission fees . . . . .	1,200.00
Subscriptions and donations . . . . .	726.30
Massachusetts Charitable Fire Society . . . . .	100.00
Other sources . . . . .	234.00
Annual fair . . . . .	<u>2,025.83</u>
	<u>9,422.67</u>
	\$46,974.67
Investments . . . . .	<u>188,968.77</u>
	<u>\$235,943.44</u>

J. W. SMITH, *Treasurer.*

BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1900.

Examined and found correct, and proper vouchers for all payments.

B. MARVIN FERNALD, *Auditor.*

BOSTON, Jan. 4, 1901.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

For the Year ending Dec. 31, 1900.

Annual subscriptions may be paid to the President, Secretary, or any member of the Board of Trustees.

Arakelyan, Mr. & Mrs. J. J.	\$2.00	Peterson, Miss Emma L.	\$1.00
Bent, Mrs. Sarah E. . . .	1.00	Pope, Mrs. Albert A. . . .	25.00
Boardman, Mr. W. L. P. . . .	5.00	Porter, Mrs. Charles H. . . .	1.00
Cain, Mrs. Ariel M. . . .	1.00	Powers, Mrs. J. P. . . .	1.00
Callendar, Mrs. Henry . . . .	1.00	Rich & Matthews . . . .	2.00
Clapp, Mrs. D. M. . . .	1.00	Smith, Mrs. Sarah J. . . .	1.00
Corning, Mrs. J. S. . . .	2.00	Soule, Mrs. Elizabeth Phelps	1.00
Cunningham, Mrs. J. H. . . .	5.00	Stevens, Mrs. Stephen G. . . .	1.00
Currier, Mrs. A. B. . . .	1.00	Storer, Miss A. M. . . .	5.00
Curtis, Miss M. G. . . .	1.00	Storer, Miss M. G. . . .	5.00
Dinsmore, Mrs. R. D. . . .	1.00	Storer, Mrs. J. W. . . .	1.00
Drisko, Mrs. Alonzo W. . . .	1.00	Stuart, Mr. W. E. . . .	1.00
Foster, Mr. J. Albert . . . .	1.00	Studley, Mrs. E. A. . . .	2.00
Foster, Mrs. J. W. . . .	1.00	Symonds, Mrs. J. S. . . .	1.00
Garfield, Mrs. W. H. . . .	1.00	Talpey, Mrs. Henry C. . . .	1.00
Garland, Mr. Watson . . . .	1.00	Thacher, Mrs. Chas. A. . . .	10.00
Green, Miss M. G. . . .	2.00	Torrey, Miss Esther . . . .	1.00
Harlow, Mrs. Ezra . . . .	1.00	Vinson, Mrs. Ellen H. . . .	1.00
Hayford, Miss H. L. . . .	1.00	Whitney, Mrs. A. G. . . .	1.00
Henry, Mrs. J. B. . . .	1.00	Whittemore, Mrs. B. F. . . .	25.00
Hersey, Mrs. Henry . . . .	1.00	Wilde, Mrs. George W. . . .	1.00
Hopkins, Miss Emma S. . . .	1.00	Winslow, Mrs. David . . . .	1.00
Kendall, Mrs. J. S. . . .	1.00	Woods, Mrs. William . . . .	1.00
Lawley, Mrs. G. F. . . .	1.00	Young, Mrs. W. H. H. . . .	1.00
Mansfield, Mrs. Fred . . . .	1.00	Hayden, Miss M. E. (Christ- mas) . . . . .	25.00
Mansfield, Mrs. Gideon T. . . .	1.00	Mrs. E. S. Converse, Fruit . . . .	2.00
McIntosh, Mrs. David . . . .	2.00	Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, " . . . .	5.00
Moore, Mrs. Hollis . . . .	1.00	Mr. Albert Dutton, " . . . .	1.00
Morton, Mrs. Andrew M. . . .	1.00	From Home Sales . . . .	57.30
Nickerson, Miss I. J. . . .	1.00	<i>Anniversary Day.</i>	
Paul, Mrs. Andrew M. . . .	1.00	Brown, Mrs. Samuel N. . . .	100.00
Perkins, Mrs. A. G. . . .	1.00	Glover, Mr. Joseph B. . . .	100.00
Perkins, Mrs. Helen M. . . .	1.00	Rice, Mrs. Edwin . . . .	100.00

Rodocanachi, Mr. J. H. . . . .	\$50.00	Haynes, Mrs. John C. . . . .	\$5.00
Downer, Mrs. Samuel . . . . .	35.00	Jaynes, Mrs. Charles P. . . . .	5.00
Dickinson, Mrs. M. F., Jr. . . . .	10.00	Lamkin, Mrs. Guy . . . . .	5.00
Ellis, Mr. George H. . . . .	10.00	Mace, Mrs. L. E. . . . .	5.00
Sturtevant, Mrs. B. F. . . . .	10.00	Mills, Mrs. Dexter T. . . . .	5.00
Winslow, Mrs. Wm. Copley . . . . .	10.00	Robbins, Mrs. John H. . . . .	5.00
Carleton, Mrs. E. A. . . . .	5.00	Shepard, Mrs. John . . . . .	5.00
Converse, Mrs. E. S. . . . .	5.00	Smith, Mrs. W. H. L. . . . .	5.00
Champlin, Mrs. Geo. H. . . . .	5.00	Whitcomb, Mrs. H. C. . . . .	5.00
Badger, Mrs. E. B. . . . .	5.00		
Barnard, Mrs. C. P. . . . .	5.00	Total . . . . .	\$726.30
Emery, Mrs. Hiram . . . . .	5.00		

**DONATIONS TO ANNUAL FAIR, HOTEL VENDOME,  
DECEMBER, 1900.**

*Received by the President.*

Mrs. E. S. Converse . . . . .	\$100.00
Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant . . . . .	100.00
Mrs. Edwin Rice . . . . .	100.00
Mrs. C. M. Barnard . . . . .	100.00
Chase & Sanborn . . . . .	100.00
Mr. Henry Woods . . . . .	50.00
Mr. William Timlin . . . . .	50.00
Mr. Francis Skinner . . . . .	50.00
Mrs. John C. Haynes . . . . .	50.00
Mrs. N. W. Rice . . . . .	50.00
Mrs. Jos. N. Fiske . . . . .	50.00
Shepard & Norwell . . . . .	50.00
Mrs. Samuel Downer . . . . .	30.00
Mrs. George W. Richardson . . . . .	25.00
Mrs. W. H. L. Smith . . . . .	25.00
Mr. Arioach Wentworth . . . . .	25.00
Mr. S. A. Carlton (by T. P. James) . . . . .	25.00
Mrs. Charles H. Collins . . . . .	25.00
Mrs. Samuel N. Brown . . . . .	20.00
Mrs. W. B. Potter . . . . .	20.00
Mrs. M. F. Dickinson, Jr. . . . .	20.00
Mr. Frank W. Boles . . . . .	20.00
Hon. Laban Pratt (by Mrs. John Foster) . . . . .	25.00
Hon. Elbridge Torrey " " " " . . . . .	20.00
Mr. John W. Field " " " " . . . . .	20.00
Mr. Charles H. Collins " " " " . . . . .	10.00
Mrs. Francis James . . . . .	10.00
Mrs. Dexter T. Mills . . . . .	10.00
Mrs. Samuel C. Lawrence . . . . .	10.00
Mrs. Calvin Richards . . . . .	5.00
Mrs. William Appleton . . . . .	5.00
Mrs. Andrew M. Morton . . . . .	5.00
Mrs. Joseph Comer . . . . .	5.00
Mrs. J. W. Storer . . . . .	5.00
Mr. Stephen Bullard . . . . .	5.00
Mrs. George H. Champlin . . . . .	5.00
	\$1,225.00

*Included in Table Receipts.*

By Mrs. E. B. Badger:—		
Mr. Erastus B. Badger	• . . . .	\$100.00
Mr. Costello Converse	• . . . .	50.00
Mr. I. W. Chick	• . . . .	5.00
Mr. G. F. D. Paine	• . . . .	5.00
Park Street Church Table,		
By Rev. J. L. Withrow, D.D.	• . . . .	50.66
Mr. A. J. Adams	• . . . .	20.00
By Mrs. H. B. Janes:—		
Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Jaynes	• . . . .	25.00
Mrs. Thomas B. Casey	• . . . .	25.00
Mrs. Clarence B. Hayes	• . . . .	5.00
Trustees Home Table:—		
Friends (by Mr. Daniel Hallett)	• . . . .	53.00
Mrs. Rice “ “ “	• . . . .	5.00
Friends (by T. Carroll)	• . . . .	12.00
Mrs. George E. Hall	• . . . .	2.00
By Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb	• . . . .	25.00
Mrs. E. S. Converse (for Refreshment Tables)	• . . . .	5.00
Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant “ “ “	• . . . .	5.00
Miss I. J. Nickerson	• . . . .	5.00
Mrs. Edward Wilder	• . . . .	2.00
Mrs. Eben Alexander	• . . . .	1.00
Mrs. H. M. Whiting	• . . . .	1.00

## TABLE RECEIPTS, including above donations:—

“Fancy and Candy,” Mrs. E. B. Badger, Mrs. Guy Lamkin, and Mrs. N. Hayden	• . . . .	\$383.02
“Trustees Home Table,” Mrs. Hiram Emery, Mrs. George W. Richardson, Mrs. John F. Manson	• . . . .	218.70
“Park Street Church Table,” Mrs. A. M. Paul, Mrs. D. W. Kilborn, Mrs. F. E. Stetson, Mrs. J. B. Henry, Miss E. M. Smith	• . . . .	183.89
“Dorchester Cake Table,” Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, Mrs. F. E. Bartley, Mrs. H. H. Barney, Mrs. H. G. Perkins	• . . . .	103.00
Mrs. F. G. Hutchinson, Variety Table	• . . . .	80.06
Mrs. H. B. Janes, Pitchers and Bowls	• . . . .	90.00
“Refreshment Tables,” Mrs. C. H. Allen, Mrs. R. G. F. Can-dage, Miss Esther Tufts, Mrs. H. B. Crosby	• . . . .	91.10
Admissions and “Gypsy Tent”	• . . . .	30.50
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Cash donations by President	• . . . .	\$1,180.27
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Total	• . . . .	1,225.00
Expenses	• . . . .	<hr/>
Net proceeds	• . . . .	\$2,405.27
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		379.44
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		\$2,025.83

(See Treasurer's report.)

## BENEFACTORS AND PATRONS.

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### BEQUESTS.

*Invested in Home Estate and Permanent Funds.*

Royal W. Turner . . . . .	\$21,384.10
Mary B. Turner . . . . .	5,565.51
Annie M. (Turner) Sweetzer . . . . .	1,000.00
Henry L. Pierce . . . . .	20,000.00
David Simonds . . . . .	14,000.00
Agnes H. Smith . . . . .	10,000.00
Thomas T. Wyman . . . . .	20,000.00
J. Putnam Bradlee . . . . .	10,000.00
Ann Eliza Colburn . . . . .	10,000.00
Julia A. Marvin . . . . .	6,000.00
Asula P. Goddard . . . . .	5,000.00
John S. Farlow . . . . .	3,333.33
Caleb C. Gilbert . . . . .	3,000.00
Caleb Davis Bradlee . . . . .	3,000.00
Katharine Page Perkins . . . . .	2,000.00
Mary A. Blood . . . . .	2,000.00
Hannah B. Clark . . . . .	2,000.00
Samuel Sargent . . . . .	2,471.00
George B. Williams (H. K. Webber bequest) . . . . .	1,681.67
Mary Ann Wilson (Mrs. J. R. Vincent) . . . . .	1,469.00
William Learned . . . . .	1,000.00
Pamela H. Beale . . . . .	1,000.00
Lucy Ann Dwight . . . . .	1,000.00
Caroline P. Adams . . . . .	1,000.00
Lucy F. Dillaway . . . . .	1,000.00
Charles Main . . . . .	1,000.00
Elizabeth A. Martin . . . . .	1,000.00
William H. Whitaker . . . . .	1,000.00
Susie M. Ransom . . . . .	18,020.00
Mary Ann P. Weld . . . . .	5,000.00
Robert C. Billings . . . . .	10,000.00
William Sturgis Bond . . . . .	1,000.00
Frances A. Tyler . . . . .	2,850.00
John D. W. Joy . . . . .	4,375.00
Mary A. Moore . . . . .	1,119.41
Anna Preston . . . . .	600.00
Joan O. Nickerson . . . . .	500.00
Ezra B. Forristall . . . . .	100.00
Hannah W. Loring . . . . .	10,000.00
Clarissa A. Freeman . . . . .	556.42
Sophia P. Goldsmith . . . . .	500.00
Ann Lanette Baker . . . . .	500.00
Caroline Wood . . . . .	400.00
Sarah T. Brown . . . . .	340.50
Sarah W. Hammond . . . . .	300.00
Julia C. Ladd . . . . .	100.00

William T. Carlton . . . . .	\$100.00
Mary L. Taylor . . . . .	100.00
Mary J. Redman . . . . .	100.00
Catharine C. Foster . . . . .	100.00
Luther H. Angier (on account) . . . . .	75.00
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Mr. F. L. Fisher, "Webster's Dictionary."	
Mrs. John C. Haynes, barrel of flour, twenty pounds sugar, box of butter, tea and coffee.	

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Mrs. Oliver Ames, two turkeys.	
Mrs. M. F. Dickinson, Jr., one turkey, sweet potatoes, celery, cranberries, and fruit.	
Mrs. John C. Haynes, one turkey (twenty-five pounds), squash, celery, and cranberries.	

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Mrs. S. P. Mandell, one turkey.  
 Miss Dutton, one turkey.  
 Mrs. John Shepard, one large box Malaga grapes.  
 Mrs. Guy Lamkin, one barrel of apples, fifty boxes of candy.  
 Mrs. Erastus B. Badger, twenty-five boxes of candy.  
 Mrs. Samuel N. Brown, one large box of California oranges.  
 Mrs. C. P. Jaynes, fifty boxes of home-made peppermints.  
 Miss I. J. Nickerson, large box of candy.  
 Mrs. Clement Walker, two boxes candy and two aprons.  
 Mrs. John C. Haynes, one barrel flour, twenty pounds sugar, three pounds tea, three pounds coffee, and five pounds butter.  
 Mrs. E. S. Converse, \$2 for fruit.  
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, \$5 for "Christmas."  
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 \*Vinton, Mrs. Rebecca A.

Waldron, Rev. D. W.  
 \*Walker, E. C. R.  
 \*Walker, Mrs. E. C. R.  
 Walker, Mrs. Georgiana E.  
 \*Wallace, Mrs. John  
 Warren, Miss Cornelia  
 Warren, Mrs. S. D.  
 Watson, Mrs. Clara B.  
 Watson, Mrs. Lucretia  
 \*Weber, Frederick  
 Webster, David L.  
 \*Webster, Mrs. David L.  
 Weeks, Mrs. Andrew G.  
 Welch, Charles O.  
 Weld, Mrs. A. D.  
 \*Weld, Mrs. Minot C.  
 \*Weld, Otis E.  
 Wentworth, Arioch  
 \*Wentworth, Mrs. Harry  
 Westcott, Mrs. Stephen E.  
 Wetherell, Mrs. A. B.  
 \*Wetherell, Mrs. J. W.  
 Wheeler, Mrs. E. J.  
 Wheelwright, George W.  
 Wheelwright, Mrs. George W.  
 \*Whitcomb, Miss Carrie Louise  
 Whitcomb, Miss Clara J.  
 Whitcomb, Henry C.  
 Whitcomb, Mrs. Henry C.  
 Whitcomb, John D.  
 Whitcomb, Mrs. John D.

\* Deceased.

White, R. H.	*Winthrop, Hon. Rob't C., LL.D.
*Whiting, John L.	*Withington, Mrs. Moses
*Whittemore, Mrs. B. F.	*Wood, Miss Caroline
Whittemore, W. F.	Wood, Mrs. Frank
Wilkins, Mrs. Frank J.	Woods, Henry
Williams, Samuel	
*Winch, Mrs. Joseph R.	Young, Rev. George H.
Wing, Miss E.	Young, Mrs. George H.
Winn, John S.	
Winn, Mrs. John S.	Zoebisch, Miss Pauline

\*Deceased.

# HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

## Family Register.

A RECORD OF THE NAMES, AGES, AND DEATHS OF BENEFICIARIES; ALSO  
NUMBER OF THE APPLICATION AND THE YEAR OF ADMISSION.

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Age when admitted.</i>	<i>Admitted to Home.</i>	<i>Deaths.</i>
79	William Hartford Bean, . . .	71	Dec., 1887.	Died Oct. 17, 1893.
80	Lucy Bean, . . . . .	67	Dec., 1887.	Died Sept. 18, 1890.
91	Joseph Ford Blasland, . . .	72	May, 1888.	Died April 24, 1894.
92	Emily Howard Blasland, . . .	74	May, 1888.	
117	Nathaniel Bodwell, . . . .	76	Dec., 1890.	Died Aug. 16, 1894.
118	Mercy Maria Bodwell, . . .	74	Dec., 1890.	Died Aug. 30, 1895.
195	Charles Bolton, . . . . .	70	Oct., 1894.	Died Jan. 1, 1897.
196	Ellen S. Bolton, . . . . .	66	Oct., 1894.	
85	Joseph Borrowscale, . . . .	76	Nov., 1887.	Died Nov. 20, 1898.
86	Margaret Borrowscale, . . . .	69	Nov., 1887.	Died June 6, 1895.
217	John L. Bushee, . . . . .	74	May, 1895.	
218	Caroline Elizabeth Bushee, . . .	71	May, 1895.	
213	Charles Chadbourne, . . . .	83	Apr., 1895.	Died Nov. 1, 1897.
214	Nancy Hilton Chadbourne, . . .	75	Apr., 1895.	
155	William Joseph Coleman, . . .	73	Nov., 1893.	
156	Margaret E. Coleman, . . . .	71	Nov., 1893.	Died Aug. 8, 1900.
147	George Coolidge, . . . . .	70	June, 1892.	Died Nov. 2, 1900.
148	Lucy Ann Coolidge, . . . . .	63	June, 1892.	Died Feb. 21, 1899.

## Family Register.—Continued.

No.	Name.	Age when admitted.	Admitted to Home.	Deaths.
23	Joseph Cutter, . . . . .	82	Oct., 1884.	Died July 25, 1892.
24	Clara Sawyer Cutter, . . .	74	Oct., 1884.	Died April 17, 1891.
227	George Alonzo Davis, . . .	70	Nov., 1895.	
228	Lucy Jane Davis, . . . . .	64	Nov., 1895.	
219	Hiram Deluce, . . . . .	75	Nov., 1895.	
220	Charlotte Hale Deluce, . . .	73	Nov., 1895.	
285	Waldo Palfrey Downing, . . .	76	Dec., 1898.	
286	Love Murray Downing, . . .	79	Dec., 1898.	
199	Nathaniel Erskine, . . . . .	71	Oct., 1894.	Left June 27, 1898.
200	Arvilla Drew Erskine, . . .	66	Oct., 1894.	Left June 27, 1898.
3	Francis Marian Gay, . . . . .	79	Oct., 1884.	Died April 26, 1889.
4	Mary Mahala Gay, . . . . .	63	Oct., 1884.	
51	Rila Gilman, . . . . .	74	Oct., 1885.	Died May 22, 1890.
52	Sarah Ann Gilman, . . . . .	67	Oct., 1885.	
167	William Walter Gilson, . . .	76	Nov., 1893.	
168	Sarah Gates Gilson, . . . . .	75	Nov., 1893.	Died May 24, 1899.
293	Rev. George Alfred Glines, . . .	73	Feb., 1900.	
294	Susan A. Glines, . . . . .	72	Feb., 1900.	
297	Daniel O. Goodrich, . . . . .	74	Dec., 1900.	
298	Martha B. Goodrich, . . . . .	72	Dec., 1900.	
1	George Milton Grant, . . . . .	74	Mar., 1894.	
2	Sarah Grant, . . . . .	76	Mar., 1894.	

Family Register.—*Continued.*

No.	Name.	Age when admitted.	Admitted to Home.	Deaths.
283	Rev. Henry Perkins Hall, .	84	June, 1898.	
284	Elizabeth S. Hall, . . . .	69	June, 1898.	
119	Daniel Hallett, . . . . .	70	Dec., 1895.	
120	Susan B. Hallett, . . . . .	72	Dec., 1895.	
125	David Henderson, . . . .	78	Jan., 1891.	Died June 4, 1891.
126	Emily C. Henderson, . . .	80	Jan., 1891.	Left June 6, 1891.
229	Thomas Hiller, . . . . .	80	July, 1895.	
230	Mary Sanborn Hiller, . . .	71	July, 1895.	
29	Charles H. N. Huntington,	67	Oct., 1884.	Died Nov. 19, 1891.
30	Mary Jane Huntington, . . .	67	Oct., 1884.	
215	Harford Hurd, . . . . .	82	June, 1895.	Died Nov. 26, 1900.
216	Mary Elizabeth Hurd, . . .	76	June, 1895.	
69	Thomas Power James, . . .	74	July, 1887.	
70	Mary Burton James, . . . .	71	July, 1887.	Died Jan. 15, 1893.
177	John H. Kirker, . . . . .	69	Nov., 1893.	Died Aug. 26, 1900.
180	Susan H. Kirker, . . . . .	72	Nov., 1893.	
121	Harrison Leland, . . . . .	79	May, 1894.	
122	Sarah Jane Leland, . . . .	67	May, 1894.	
159	Geo. Washington Leonard,	79	June, 1894.	Died April 22, 1895.
160	Harriett Abby Leonard, . .	78	June, 1894.	
43	John Q. A. Litchfield, . . .	69	July, 1885.	Died April 28, 1887.
44	Mary Davis Litchfield, . . .	73	July, 1885.	Died Mar. 26, 1895.

Family Register.—*Continued.*

No.	Name.	Age when admitted.	Admitted to Home.	Deaths.
245	Otho Harrison Littlefield, .	87	July, 1896.	Died Mar. 16, 1897.
246	Abbie Moore Littlefield, .	76	July, 1896.	Died Sept. 1, 1899.
129	George Russel Meade, . .	80	Apr., 1897.	Died Nov. 14, 1899.
130	Mary A. Page Meade, . .	81	Apr., 1897.	Died Nov. 2, 1900.
241	Antipas Newton, . . . .	78	Sept., 1896.	Died Oct. 7, 1897.
242	Nancy Newton, . . . .	67	Sept., 1896.	Died Jan. 25, 1897.
131	George Washington Parker,	64	Mar., 1894.	Died Aug. 11, 1895.
132	Mary Esther Parker, . .	65	Mar., 1894.	
163	Alexander Perkins, . . .	72	Nov., 1893.	
164	Elizabeth Beal Perkins, . .	75	Nov., 1893.	
151	John C. Richardson, . . .	72	Nov., 1893.	Died July 5, 1899.
152	Esther C. Richardson, . .	68	Nov., 1893.	
189	Findley F. Robertson, . .	71	Mar., 1894.	Died June 17, 1894.
190	Elizabeth Robertson, . .	77	Mar., 1894.	
97	David Rood, . . . . .	82	Dec., 1892.	Died Feb. 14, 1893.
98	Sarah Ann Rood, . . . .	79	Dec., 1892.	Died Mar. 16, 1900.
187	Jabez C. Ryder, . . . .	80	Mar., 1894.	
188	Laura B. Ryder, . . . .	—	—	Deceased.
281	Samuel Sargent, . . . .	79	Oct., 1897.	Died Oct. 25, 1898.
282	Mary Ann Sargent, . . .	72	Oct., 1897.	
111	Philo Sexton, . . . . .	79	June, 1889.	Died April 17, 1893.
112	Lavira Sexton, . . . . .	71	June, 1889.	Died Dec. 23, 1899.

## Family Register.—Continued.

No.	Name.	Age when admitted.	Admitted to Home.	Deaths.
185	Adolph Robert Simmons, .	60	Mar., 1894.	Left May 20, 1895.
186	Alice Usaly Simmons, . .	66	Mar., 1894.	Left May 20, 1895.
153	Love Straw, . . . . .	83	June, 1892.	Died Dec. 22, 1893.
154	Elizabeth Straw, . . . . .	68	June, 1892.	Left Jan. 3, 1894.
237	Benjamin Rust Sturgis, .	78	Dec., 1895.	Died Oct. 11, 1898.
238	Sarah Jane Sturgis, . . .	69	Dec., 1895.	
173	Orange Tyler Taylor, . .	69	Oct., 1893.	Died Jan. 26, 1894.
174	Rebecca A. M. Taylor, . .	65	Oct., 1893.	Died Dec. 25, 1893.
243	Robert John Taylor, . . .	83	June, 1896.	
244	Catherine B. Taylor, . . .	—	—	Deceased.
291	Wendell P. Van Kleeck, .	73	Feb., 1900.	
292	Martha A. D. Van Kleeck,	71	Feb., 1900.	
113	Chauncy Ward, . . . . .	86	June, 1889.	Died Oct. 19, 1893.
114	Caroline Ward, . . . . .	87	June, 1889.	Died May 10, 1890.
295	Ralph Warren, . . . . .	77	June 5, 1900.	
296	Maria King Warren, . . .	79	June 5, 1900.	
171	James H. Waterman, . .	75	July, 1893.	
172	Nancy Stark Waterman, .	73	July, 1893.	Died Feb. 22, 1900.
145	Oliver Welch, . . . . .	76	Dec., 1891.	Died May 28, 1897.
146	Ruth H. Welch, . . . . .	73	Dec., 1891.	
45	Hiram Wellington, . . . .	80	Sept., 1885.	Died Aug. 17, 1898.
46	Ann Angier Wellington, . .	85	Sept., 1885.	Died July 15, 1890.

Family Register.—*Continued.*

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Age when admitted.</i>	<i>Admitted to Home.</i>	<i>Deaths.</i>
139	Charles Whitney, . . . .	82	Oct., 1891.	Died April 1, 1899.
140	Elizabeth P. Whitney, . . .	75	—	Died Sept. 3, 1891.
201	Rev. George B. Williams, .	75	Nov., 1894.	
202	Sarah N. Williams, . . . .	80	Nov., 1894.	Died Dec. 17, 1895.
235	John Wingate, . . . . .	80	Nov., 1895.	Died July 11, 1898.
236	Sophia M. Wingate, . . . .	73	Nov., 1895.	Died Feb. 12, 1900.

# CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

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## ARTICLE I.

### CORPORATE NAME.

This Corporation shall be known by the name of the Home for Aged Couples.

## ARTICLE II.

### PURPOSES OF INCORPORATION.

The object and purpose of this Corporation shall be the establishment and support of non-sectarian Christian homes for the aged and needy.

## ARTICLE III.

### MEMBERS.

Every person subscribing annually one dollar and upwards shall, when elected by the Corporation, be deemed a member of the association during the continuance of such subscription.

Every person subscribing twenty-five dollars and upwards shall be, when legally elected, a life member; and, upon any legacy of five hundred dollars and upwards being paid to the Treasurer, the executors, who have administered, may be elected life members.

Every member subscribing one hundred dollars and upwards shall be deemed an honorary member.

## ARTICLE IV.

### OFFICERS.

The business of the Corporation shall be conducted by a Board of not less than twenty Trustees, members of the Corporation and a Board of Council consisting of twelve gentlemen appointed by the Trustees, representing the different religious denominations of the Trustees. The officers of the Corporation, under the name of Trustees, shall consist of a President, six Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Clerk, and eleven other persons, all of whom shall

be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and shall hold their offices for one year, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead. All other officers may be appointed and removed, and their duties defined by the Board of Trustees. Any vacancy in the Board of Trustees may be filled by the remaining members of the Board until the next annual election. Seven Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE V.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in the city of Boston on the second Tuesday in January of each year for the election of officers, and for any other business which may legally come before the meeting. Notice of said meeting shall be given in one or more daily papers published in Boston, for five days, at least, before said meeting.

Special meetings of the Corporation may be called by the President, and shall be so called, upon the written request of twenty members of the Corporation, stating the business to be transacted at said meeting.

Notices of all special meetings shall be mailed to each member of the Corporation by the Clerk, at least five days before said meeting, stating the time and place of said meeting and the business to be transacted thereat.

## ARTICLE VI.

### TRUSTEES.

The Trustees shall have control and management of the affairs and property of the Corporation, and shall cause a complete record of all their doings to be kept, which shall be laid before the Corporation whenever required; and, at every annual meeting of the Corporation, they shall render a full account, showing in detail the situation of the property and the financial affairs of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE VII.

### BOARD OF COUNCIL.

The Board of Council may organize with a chairman and Secretary, and choose from their number a committee, who shall visit the Home for Aged Couples as often as they shall direct, and report to the Trustees upon its condition as often as they shall deem it expedient. They shall advise in reference to applicants to the Home, and report to the Trustees names of those deemed worthy to become inmates. It is also the duty of this Board to render especial assistance in raising funds, and in every way to aid in promoting the success and usefulness of the Home.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### PRESIDENT.

The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Corporation and of the Trustees, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are incidental to the office and required by law. In the absence of the President, the senior Vice-President shall preside.

## ARTICLE IX.

### SECRETARY AND CLERK.

The Secretary, who shall also be the Clerk of the Corporation, shall record all the votes of the Corporation in a book kept for that purpose, shall notify all meetings of the Corporation and Board of Trustees, shall record the proceedings of the same, and shall perform all other duties and services usually required of a clerk of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE X.

### TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall furnish bonds satisfactory to the Trustees, and shall then have the custody of all the funds of the Corporation; shall sign receipts and acknowledgments for all money or other property received; keep a full and correct account of the financial transactions; and disburse no money or property except by direction of the Board of Trustees or their committee duly authorized. At the annual meeting, the Treasurer shall render a full and detailed account of receipts and disbursements, with a statement of the property belonging to the Corporation, and shall at any time give such information in regard to the property of the Corporation as may be requested by the Trustees; also, perform all other duties and services appertaining to the office of treasurer of a corporation and required by the statutes of the Commonwealth.

## ARTICLE XI.

### AUDITOR.

The Auditor shall examine the accounts annually, and oftener, if necessary, and report at the annual meeting.

## ARTICLE XII.

### QUORUM FOR BUSINESS.

Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE XIII.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION TO THE HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

Any aged couple (man and wife) of not less than sixty years of age, and of good moral character, may be admitted into the Home on the payment of such sum as the Trustees may determine, and by signing an agreement to abide by the rules and regulations of the Home.

Those holding property are required to secure the same to the Home before they are admitted; and, should they obtain any property after admission, it will also be necessary to convey it to the Corporation, if they remain in the Home.

The entrance fee paid by or for inmates may form a permanent fund, or be otherwise used as the Trustees may direct.

## ARTICLE XIV.

These By-laws, or any part of them, may be altered, amended, or repealed at any annual or special meeting of the Corporation, legally called for that purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at said meeting.

## TRUSTEES' BY-LAWS.

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### ARTICLE I.

#### MEETINGS.

Meetings of the Trustees shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month, at such hour as they may determine. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for business.

### ARTICLE II.

#### ORDER FOR BUSINESS.

The meetings of the Board shall be called to order within ten minutes of the hour named, and the order of business shall be as follows: 1. Prayer; 2. Calling of the Roll; 3. Reading the Minutes; 4. Report of Treasurer; 5. Report of each Committee shall then be presented, and thereafter any other business may come before the Board.

### ARTICLE III.

#### COUNCIL, PHYSICIANS, AND STANDING COMMITTEES.

At the first meeting after the annual meeting a Board of Council, one or more Physicians, and the following named Standing Committees shall be appointed; namely, an Executive Committee, a Committee on Admission, on Finance, on Religious Services, a Visiting Committee, and such other committees as the Board may deem expedient.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### CHAIRMAN AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The first-named member on a Committee shall be chairman, and reports of Committees shall be submitted in writing, and be placed among the documents of the Corporation.

### ARTICLE V.

#### ON MOTIONS.

Every motion, when made, shall be stated from the Chair; and, upon being seconded, the presiding officer shall ask if the mem-

bers are ready for the question, which being assented to, the vote shall be taken. No other business shall be taken up by the Board, or discussed by any of the members, until that which has been laid before them be decided or postponed. Any member making a motion shall, at the request of any other member, present the same in writing.

## ARTICLE VI.

### AMENDMENTS.

An amendment may be made to any motion, and shall be decided before the original motion. But, during the debate, no motion shall be received, unless it be to adjourn; to lay on the table; the previous question; to postpone either indefinitely or to a certain day; or to commit,—which motions shall take precedence in the order here named, except that a motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

## ARTICLE VII.

### ON RECONSIDERATION.

A motion to reconsider must be made by a member who voted with the majority; and, if the motion prevail, the subject is again open for debate on the original motion, the same as any other motion, and subject to the same rules.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### POSTPONEMENT.

At the desire of any member of the Board, who desires further time for reflection and examination, the decision of a new question shall be postponed to the meeting succeeding that at which it was proposed.

## ARTICLE IX.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall have the general charge of the affairs of the Home during the interval between the regular monthly meetings of the Board, and act in their behalf. Some one of them shall visit the Home at least once a week; shall make or authorize all purchases necessary for the Home; shall carefully examine and approve all bills for supplies and repairs before payment by the Treasurer; and shall keep a record of their proceedings, which shall be laid before the Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting.

## ARTICLE X.

### COMMITTEE ON ADMISSION.

The Committee on Admission shall visit or confer with applicants for admission, and inquire into their circumstances and char-

acter, and make a full report to the Board of all the material facts relating to each case. The Trustees shall then decide upon the admission of the applicants. It shall also be the duty of this Committee to keep a register, in which shall be entered the names of all applicants, their respective ages, place of birth and residence, persons by whom they are recommended, date of their application, the decision of the Trustees thereon, the time and terms of their admission, and such other facts as they may deem important; and they shall assign to inmates their rooms.

## ARTICLE XI.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee shall have the general charge and direction of all matters connected with the money, mortgages, and other securities belonging to the Corporation, and shall direct the Treasurer in the disposition of the same. They shall use all legitimate means to obtain the necessary funds to carry forward the work of the society, and shall make a full report to be read at the annual meeting.

## ARTICLE XII.

### COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The Committee on Religious Services shall, as far as practicable, supply the Home with preaching on Sundays. They shall make such regulations in regard to the same and to other religious services as they may deem proper and expedient. The duty of supplying the Home with the preaching of the gospel shall devolve upon this Committee. Ordained clergymen of all denominations will be cordially received. The other members of the Board will be required to communicate with this Committee and obtain their consent before introducing any one into the Home as a religious instructor.

## ARTICLE XIII.

### VISITING COMMITTEE.

The Visiting Committee shall represent the different denominations on the Board. They shall visit the Home not less than once a week; and it shall be their duty to see all the inmates in their several rooms, inquire into their spiritual and temporal welfare, giving such encouragement and advice as may be in their power and as the circumstances of each case may seem to require. This Committee shall enter the day and time of their visits, with such observations as they may deem useful, in a minute-book, which shall be kept at the Home; and, on the last day of their term of service, they shall notify the members who are to succeed them in visiting.

## ARTICLE XIV.

### SUPERINTENDENT.

The Superintendent of the Home, under the direction of the Executive Committee, shall have charge of the House, and shall strictly enforce the rules and regulations of the Trustees. Order, neatness, and good conduct must prevail in every part of the establishment. She shall be present at meals, see that they are properly served, that suitable food is carefully prepared for the sick, that proper order is observed at table, and a blessing asked before each meal.

She shall at all times maintain the respect due her station, and, by firm, kind, and judicious methods, endeavor to secure the comfort of each aged couple admitted to the Home established for their support and happiness. At each weekly meeting of the Executive Committee, the Superintendent shall present in writing a statement of the supplies required, with a report of the condition of the Home and the family, and such other matters as may be important.

The Superintendent shall keep a book in which shall be recorded a list of the furniture, linen, and other articles belonging to the Home, which shall be corrected and laid before the Corporation at its annual meeting.

All presents made to the Home shall be entered with the name of the donor in a book kept for the purpose by the Superintendent.

## ARTICLE XV.

### TERMS OF ADMISSION.

SECTION 1. Applicants must furnish satisfactory testimonials of character, and freely communicate all facts necessary to a proper understanding of their case.

SEC. 2. Applicants under sixty-five years of age shall not be admitted as inmates of the Home, unless by unanimous vote of the Trustees.

SEC. 3. The Board of Trustees may, by vote, admit applicants on such terms as the circumstances of any particular case may seem to demand, provided that an entrance fee of not less than four hundred dollars be paid to the Corporation before a Certificate of Admission be granted the applicants to enter the Home.

SEC. 4. The Trustees, in all cases, reserve to themselves the right to admit or reject applicants who desire to become inmates, and to dismiss and expel from the Home inmates who wilfully violate the rules, or whom, from any other cause, they may deem undeserving of the benefits of the Home.

SEC. 5. Applicants having property must secure the same to the Corporation before admission; and in case of money or other

property coming into their possession after their admission by inheritance, bequest, or otherwise, it will be necessary, upon demand of the Trustees, to convey it to the Corporation if they remain in the Home. But, if they thus acquire property and desire to leave the Home, there shall be deducted from the funds thus acquired a reasonable sum for past support and expenses, and the balance shall be paid to the retiring inmates; but no money paid to the Corporation at the time of their admission will be returned to them.

SEC. 6. If couples are dismissed from the Home within three months after admission, whatever they have paid to the Corporation will be returned to them, after deducting a reasonable amount for their support and expenses while in the Home. But in no case shall money or property paid or conveyed by inmates to the Corporation be paid or returned to friends upon the death of inmates.

Furniture and all other articles brought by inmates must remain for the benefit of the Home.

SEC. 7. Inmates dissatisfied or desiring to leave the Home from any cause are at liberty to depart; but, after once leaving, they cannot return as inmates, unless by vote of the Trustees.

SEC. 8. No insane or idiotic person shall be admitted into the Home. Any inmate after admission who shall become so diseased in mind as to seriously interfere with the comfort and health of other inmates, upon the advice of the physicians of the Home, shall be returned to friends or removed to some suitable institution. The Corporation shall not be held liable for the support of such person or persons after their removal from the Home.

SEC. 9. All cases of illness in the Home shall be attended by the Physicians of the institution, unless the Trustees see fit to call in other or additional advice.

In case of death, the funeral arrangements will be under the direction of the Trustees, unless friends of the deceased wish to remove the remains and assume the payment of funeral expenses.

SEC. 10. Inmates receiving the benefits of the Home will be required to comply with the rules and regulations which are now in force, and which may hereafter be adopted by the Trustees for the health, comfort, and safety of the family and the permanent interest of the Home.

## ARTICLE XVI.

### AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be altered or amended at any legal meeting of the Trustees, provided that in the notices calling said meeting it shall have been stated that an alteration or amendment is to be made.

## HOUSE RULES.

1. The entire care of the house shall be in charge of the Superintendent, under the direction of the Executive Committee.
2. The Superintendent shall strictly enforce the rules and regulations for the Home, thereby securing the comfort and happiness of the residents or inmates.
3. Residents will be required to conform to the rules and regulations, and to treat each other with becoming respect, and by acts of kindness and forbearance make a cheerful home.
4. Every inmate, except in case of illness, is expected to attend all religious services.
5. A general table will be provided, at which all who are able will be expected to attend punctually, and endeavor by order and pleasant conversation to make such occasions agreeable to each other and to the Superintendent.  Breakfast at eight o'clock; Dinner at one o'clock; Supper at six o'clock. 
6. The Superintendent will preside at the table, and ask a blessing before each meal.
7. Those confined to their rooms will be furnished with diet under the direction of the Superintendent.
8. Washing and ironing shall, if practicable, be done on Mondays and Tuesdays.
9. All that is necessary for the comfortable support of the inmates of the Home will be provided by the Corporation. No inmate, therefore, will be permitted to solicit assistance for any purpose, unless duly authorized by the Executive Committee.
10. Inmates who are able will be expected to render services for the Home, at the discretion of the Superintendent.
11. No intoxicating drinks or strong stimulants shall be used in the house, except by order of the physician in charge.
12. No tobacco smoking will be allowed in any part of the house above the basement.
13. Inmates will not be permitted to enter the kitchen, store-rooms, or other offices of the house, unless by consent of the Superintendent.
14. Interference with assistants or servants will not be permitted; but, if any person have cause for complaint, they may state their grievance at once to the Superintendent, who will report it to the Committee.

15. The assistants and servants will be required to treat all residents of the house with kindness and respect, to be courteous to all visitors, and strictly to comply with the rules of the house.

16. No inmate or person employed in the house will be permitted to be out after ten o'clock P.M., unless by permit or order of the Superintendent.

17. Inmates will be expected to retire to their rooms at nine o'clock P.M., and to extinguish their lights by ten o'clock.

18. When inmates desire to visit their friends, they shall inform the Superintendent of the time and place of their intended visit, and the probable length of time they will be absent, in order that no uneasiness may be felt on their account, and that, in case of illness or accident, the Superintendent may know where they are to be found.

19. The friends of inmates and the public generally may visit the house on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week, between the hours of two and five o'clock P.M.

Friends and relatives are permitted to call on business on any day of the week except Sundays; but inmates cannot receive callers in their own rooms except on the visiting days named, unless by special permit from the Superintendent.

20. A certificate, certifying that the mental and physical condition of applicants is such as to entitle him or her to the benefit of the Home, will be required from one of the attending physicians before the couple will be admitted. All cases of illness will be treated by the physicians of the Home.

21. These rules may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Trustees.

# HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

INCORPORATED 1884.

## FORM OF BOND.

WE, the undersigned, having been received as beneficiaries and inmates of the Home for Aged Couples, a corporation established by law, do hereby agree to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees; and, in consideration of the care and attention of the Trustees and of said Corporation, we do hereby each and jointly make over to the Corporation all such personal property as we have brought or shall bring to the Home for our use, to the end that the quiet and comfort of the house may not be disturbed in the event of our removal or death, but that all our effects may remain for the use of our successors. And whereas we have been reduced, in the course of Divine Providence, to a state of dependence, but may hereafter be the possessors of property, so as to be able to retire from this Home, and possibly to become contributors to it, we and each of us do further hereby appoint the President of the said Corporation, for the time being, our Attorney and Trustee, to receive for us respectively, and to sell and dispose of all estates, real or personal, of every description, to which we shall hereafter or may be now entitled; and we do hereby assign the said estates and empower the said President and her successors in office accordingly, to the end that the Corporation may be reimbursed for the support and supplies that shall have been furnished to us respectively, as far as such estates may extend, and the balance to be accounted for by said President to us or our legal representatives. In case we do not remove from the Home, then any property, real or personal, which we may in any way become the possessors of, we hereby convey to the Corporation of the Home for Aged Couples, for its sole use and behoof forever.

WITNESS our hands and seals this, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
in the year one thousand eight hundred and

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of

### FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Home for Aged Couples, in the city of Boston, Mass., the sum of        dollars, to be applied to the uses and purposes of the Corporation under its direction. And I hereby direct my executor to pay said sum to the Treasurer of the Corporation        months after my decease. The receipt of the President and Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executor for the same.











ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

AND OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

ARE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED TO MEET THE GREATLY INCREASED ANNUAL EXPENDITURE OCCASIONED BY THE

ENLARGEMENT OF THE HOME.